GREE 101 ELEMENTARY GREEK I
MWF 14.00-14.50
RAYZOR HALL 227

INSTRUCTOR

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COURSE OBJECTIVES AND LEARNING OUTCOMES

Students who complete this course successfully may expect to acquire the following skills:

- Elementary level proficiency at reading, translating, and parsing the grammar of ancient Greek prose and poetry.
- Ability to explain the Greek derivation of English words.
- Ability to read ancient Greek out loud, using restored pronunciation.
- Ability to reflect constructively on their own learning processes.

TWO REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS

Please note that, barring exceptions for documented disabilities, (1) I do not normally allow the use of computers or other electronic equipment in class and (2) I require that you bring both textbooks to class meetings in a format that enables you to consult them without violating (1).

In other words, you should purchase hard copies of both textbooks.

Athenaze, Book 1: An Introduction to Ancient Greek
Authors: Balme, Lawall, and Morwood
OUP Second Edition (2003) or Revised Third Edition (2016).[1]
Paperback
Required
ISBN13 for Second Edition: 978-0195149562
ISBN for Revised Third edition: 9780190607661

Workbook I: Athenaze
Authors: Lawall, Johnson, and Miraglia
OUP Second Edition 2003
Paperback
Required
ISBN13: 978-0195149548

[1] Do not order the third edition unless it is the revised 2016 version. The previous version of the third edition is full of errors. The second edition (2003) is fine.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

IMPORTANT: TO ENSURE THAT YOU RECEIVE INFORMATION ABOUT UPDATES TO ASSIGNMENTS AND RELATED MATTERS IN A TIMELY FASHION, SET YOUR CANVAS ACCOUNT (NOW) TO "NOTIFY ME RIGHT AWAY" OF "ANNOUNCEMENTS" FOR THIS COURSE.

Quizzes: 70% of final grade

Quizzes are due on the dates and at the times indicated in the schedule below. They are take-home, closed book, closed notes assignments. The honor code applies. Each quiz will typically have two parts: (i) a passage for you to translate from Greek to English (selected from previously assigned material); (ii) a set of questions about morphology and other grammatical details (similar but not necessarily identical to previously assigned exercises).

Final exam: 30% of final grade

A take-home, closed book, closed notes exam, due at the end of exam period. The honor code applies. The final exam will have the same basic format as the quizzes, but it will be longer, and will include material from all the chapters we will have covered over the course of the semester.

Submission and grading policy for quizzes and exams

Ideally, you will submit your work on all the assignments by their deadlines, rendering the following information redundant. However, if you submit a quiz or your final exam after, but within twenty-four hours of, its deadline, I will grade your work, but I will also deduct a 10% penalty for late submission. If you have still not submitted a quiz or your final exam twenty-four hours after it is due, I will not grade your work on that assignment (i.e., you will receive "zero" for it).

Preparation for class, attendance, and contribution to the collective learning process

I will assign homework for you to prepare in advance of each class, and we will review it in class. Normally you are not required to turn in homework assignments, but I will be happy to check your work for errors if you ask me to do so.

Barring emergencies and other reasonable exceptions, you are expected to attend all class meetings, arrive on time and having completed the homework, and contribute positively to the collective learning process. Please be aware that, while I have not assigned a specific portion of the final grade to this category, multiple absences or other deficiencies in this area may impact your final grade negatively, even if you have performed well in other areas of the course. If you believe you have a valid reason for missing class or arriving late or unprepared on a particular day (e.g. personal illness, death in the family or other family emergency, religious observance), please contact me to discuss your situation.

Electronic policy

I do not normally permit the use of computers, recording devices, or similar equipment in class. Cell phones must be turned off. Violations of this policy will impact your grade for "Attendance, preparation, and contribution to the collective learning experience."

If you have a documented disability and need to use any of the aforementioned equipment in class for that reason, you should 1) make sure this documentation is on file with Disability Support Services (Allen Center, Room 111 / adarice@rice.edu / x5841) to determine the specific accommodations you need; and 2) talk with me to discuss them.

Rice Honor Code

In this course, all students will be held to the standards of the Rice Honor Code, a code that you pledged to honor when you matriculated at this institution. If you are unfamiliar with the details of this code and how it is administered, you should consult the Honor System Handbook at http://honor.rice.edu/honor-system-handbook/. This handbook outlines the University's expectations for the integrity of your academic work, the procedures for resolving alleged violations of those expectations, and the rights and responsibilities of students and faculty members throughout the process.

Disability Support Services

If you have a documented disability or other condition that may affect academic performance please: 1) make sure this documentation is on file with Disability Support Services (Allen Center, Room

111 / adarice@rice.edu / x5841) to determine the accommodations you need; and 2) talk with me to discuss your accommodation needs.

Syllabus Change Policy

This syllabus is subject to change at any point in the semester if the instructor deems it necessary or advisable.

OVERVIEW OF THIS COURSE AND THE BEGINNING GREEK SEQUENCE (GREE 101, 102, AND 201)

Greek 101, 102, and 201 constitute a three-semester sequence. The three courses have similar learning outcomes, content, and requirements. The two-volume textbook, *Athenaze*, contains thirty chapters (each sub-divided into an "α" and a "β" component). This semester, in Greek 101, we will cover Chapters 1α-10β (all in Volume I). If you stay the course through the end of Greek 201 (Chapter 30 β, Volume II), you will be equipped to read Greek texts by any classical and/or early Christian authors you choose.

In this three-semester sequence, you will learn to read Greek *by* reading Greek. The course content is organized around a (fictional) narrative. The narrative is set in Athens in 432-431 BCE. Its protagonist is an Athenian farmer named Dikaiopolis (based on a character of the same name from a play by Aristophanes). The main storyline about Dikaiopolis and his family in turn incorporates other narratives—some drawn from Greek history, others from Greek myth. Short essays in English, distributed throughout the textbook, supplement and expand the historical and cultural information you will encounter in all these narratives. Most chapters also include brief passages of "real Greek"—in other words, excerpts from works by classical and New Testament authors.

Each chapter of the textbook begins with a reading passage—the next installment in the Dikaiopolis narrative, which also introduces the chapter's new grammar and vocabulary. The second part of the chapter gives a full explanation of the new grammar, accompanied by exercises that give you direct practice at using it.

Week 1		
MONDAY 8/22	Introductions. Overview of syllabus. Basic information about the Greek alphabet.	
WEDNESDAY 8/24	Review homework on Introduction (Greek alphabet; transliteration; English derivations).	
FRIDAY 8/26	First class on Chapter 1α.	
Week 2		
MONDAY 8/29	Second class on Chapter 1α.	
WEDNESDAY 8/31	First class on Chapter 1β.	

FRIDAY 9/2	Second class on Chapter 1β.	Quiz #01, on Introduction, due 11.59pm Saturday 9/3.
Week 3		
MONDAY 9/5	*Labor Day: No Class.*	
WEDNESDAY 9/7	First class on Chapter 2α.	
FRIDAY 9/9	Second class on Chapter 2α.	Quiz #02, on Chapters 1α & 1β, due 11.59pm Saturday 9/10.
Week 4		
MONDAY 9/12	First class on Chapter 2β.	
WEDNESDAY 9/14	Second class on Chapter 2β.	
FRIDAY 9/16	First class on Chapter 3α.	
Week 5		
MONDAY 9/19	Second class on Chapter 3α.	
WEDNESDAY 9/21	First class on Chapter 3β.	
FRIDAY 9/23	Second class on Chapter 3β.	Quiz #03, on Chapters 2α & 2β, due 11.59pm Saturday 9/24.
Week 6		
MONDAY 9/26	First class on Chapter 4α.	
WEDNESDAY 9/28	Second class on Chapter 4α.	
FRIDAY 9/30	First class on Chapter 4β.	Quiz #04, on Chapters 3α & 3β, due 11.59pm Saturday 10/1.
Week 7		

MONDAY 10/3	Second class on Chapter 4β.	
WEDNESDAY 10/5	First class on Chapter 5α.	
FRIDAY 10/7	Second class on Chapter 5α.	
Week 8		
MONDAY 10/10	*Midterm Recess: No Class*.	
WEDNESDAY 10/12	First class on Chapter 5β.	
FRIDAY 10/14	Second class on Chapter 5β.	Quiz #05, on Chapters 4α & 4β, due 11.59pm Saturday 10/15.
Week 9		
MONDAY 10/17	First class on Chapter 6α.	
WEDNESDAY 10/19	Second class on Chapter 6α.	
FRIDAY 10/21	First class on Chapter 6β.	Quiz #06, on Chapters 5α & 5β, due 11.59pm Saturday 10/22.
Week 10		
MONDAY 10/24	Second class on Chapter 6β.	
WEDNESDAY 10/26	First class on Chapter 7α.	
FRIDAY 10/28	Second class on Chapter 7α.	
Week 11		
MONDAY 10/31	First class on Chapter 7β.	
WEDNESDAY 11/2	Second class on Chapter 7β.	
FRIDAY	First class on Chapter 8α.	Quiz #07, on Chapters

11/4		6α & 6β, due 11.59pm Saturday 11/5.
Week 12		
MONDAY 11/7	Second class on Chapter 8α.	
WEDNESDAY 11/9	First class on Chapter 8β.	
FRIDAY 11/11	Second class on Chapter 8β.	Quiz #08, on Chapters 7α & 7β, due 11.59pm Saturday 11/12.
Week 13		
MONDAY 11/14	First class on Chapter 9α.	
WEDNESDAY 11/16	Second class on Chapter 9α.	
FRIDAY 11/18	First class on Chapter 9β.	Quiz #09, on Chapters 8α & 8β, due 11.59pm Saturday 11/19.
Week 14		
MONDAY 11/21	Second class on Chapter 9β and first class on Chapter 10α.	
WEDNESDAY 11/23	*No class.*	
FRIDAY 11/25	*Thanksgiving Recess: No Class.*	
Week 15		
MONDAY 11/28	Second class on Chapter 10α.	
WEDNESDAY 11/30	First class on Chapter 10β.	
FRIDAY 12/2	Second class on Chapter 10β.	Quiz #10, on Chapters 9α & 9β, due 11.59pm Friday 12/2.

The final exam is due at 11.59pm on Wednesday 12/14 (last day of exam period).